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Hon. Philip N. Asprodites Commissioner of Conservation P. O. Box 94275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804

Re: Hackberry Zone, Reservoir B, Roanoke Field, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Asprodites:

Application is hereby made on behalf HS Resources, Inc. to the Commissioner of Conservation for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, pertaining to the following matters relative to the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir B, Roanoke Field, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir B, in the Roanoke Field, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana;
- 2. To create a single drilling and production unit for the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir B, designated as the HBY RB SU A as shown on the plat attached hereto;
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interest within the units so created on a surface acreage basis of participation;
- 4. To designate a unit well and unit operator for the unit so created;

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- 5. To allow the Commissioner of Conservation to reclassify the Reservoir by supplemental order, without the necessity of public hearing, should the producing characteristics of the reservoir change and evidence to justify reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation;
- 6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent to the Hackberry Zone, Reservoir B.

The Hackberry Zone, in the Roanoke Field, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana, is hereby defined as that gas and condensate producing zone found between the depths of 10,446' and 10,912' (electric log measurements) in the HS Resources - Thomas No. 2 Well located in Section 11, Township 9 South, Range 4 West, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana.

The pre-application conference was held as scheduled on April 25, 2001. In attendance were the parties shown on the attached attendance list. The conference was opened by James C. Bates, attorney for the applicant, and turned over to James F. Hardwick, consulting geologist for the applicant, who discussed the bases for the applicant's proposal. After the conclusion of Mr. Hardwick's presentation, Mr. Remy Williams on behalf of the Thomas Interests presented a counterplan which differed from the applicant's proposal in moving the eastern boundary to the west, through the Brown & McKenzie - Kratzer No. 1 Well and the northern boundary through the HOM - Pool No. 1 Well. On behalf of James Kratzer, Jr., Mr. Stan Warburton presented a counterplan which differed from the applicant's proposal in moving the western boundary to the east, through the Precise - Thomas No. 2 Well. On behalf of the Pitre Estate, etc., Mr. Mark Despot presented a counterplan which differed from the applicant's proposal in moving the eastern boundary to the east, through the Humble - Kratzer No. 1 Well, and moving the western boundary an equal distance to the west. After further discussion, the conference was adjourned. Accordingly, unless the parties are able to resolve their differences, it is believed there will be opposition at the hearing. In addition to furnishing the legal notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, the applicant will provide for posting of the legal notice of the hearing and unit plat in a prominent place in the area of Indian Village Field. Additionally, the legal notice will be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the vicinity of Indian Village Field at least fifteen (15) days before the hearing date.

All pertinent data relating to this proposed application may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from Cutright & Hardwick, P. O. Box 80972, Lafayette, LA 70598-0972, (337) 232-7756.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the HBY RB SUA in the Roanoke Field, Jefferson Davis Parish, Louisiana. Also enclosed to the Commissioner of Conservation and District Manager ONLY is a list of Interested Owners, Interested Parties and Represented Parties

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to whom a copy of this notice is being sent. Copies of this list will be provided upon request. A reasonable effort has been made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Interested Parties or Represented Parties. Also enclosed is our check payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

James C. Bates

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JCB:mw Enclosures

cc:

Mr. Richard Hudson District Manager

Interested Parties Interested Owners Represented Parties

